

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



CANCER BURDEN

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 1,334,100 new cancer cases will be diagnosed in the United States, including 2,700 in District of Columbia.
- 556,500 cancer deaths will occur in the United States, including 1,100 in District of Columbia.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rate for cancer deaths per 100,000 persons²

District of Columbia: 244.5 **National:** 202.3

District of Columbia ranks highest overall in cancer mortality rates among the 50 states and Washington, D.C.

LUNG CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 300 new cases of lung cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in District of Columbia.
- 300 men and women will die of lung cancer in District of Columbia.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for lung cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	District of Columbia	National
Overall	58.6	56.8
White	39.2	56.7
Black	69.1	66.4
Hispanic	-	25.4
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	28.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	37.2

BREAST CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 500 new cases of breast cancer will be diagnosed among women in District of Columbia.
- 100 women will die of breast cancer in District of Columbia.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for breast cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	District of Columbia	National
Overall	37.6	27.7
White	27.4	27.2
Black	42.6	35.9
Hispanic	-	17.8
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	12.5
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	14.9

COLORECTAL CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 300 new cases of colorectal cancer will be diagnosed among men and women in District of Columbia.
- 100 men and women will die of colorectal cancer in District of Columbia.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for colorectal cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	District of Columbia	National
Overall	26.6	21.2
White	20.2	20.7
Black	30.0	28.5
Hispanic	-	14.2
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.1
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	14.7

PROSTATE CANCER

In 2003, the American Cancer Society estimates¹

- 600 new cases of prostate cancer will be diagnosed among men in District of Columbia.
- 100 men will die of prostate cancer in District of Columbia.

The average annual age-adjusted mortality rates for prostate cancer deaths per 100,000 persons, by race, 1996–2000³

	District of Columbia	National
Overall	54.2	32.9
White	28.0	30.2
Black	69.2	73.0
Hispanic	-	24.3
Asian/Pacific Islander	-	13.9
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	21.9

¹ Source: American Cancer Society Facts and Figures, 2003. Estimates exclude more than a million cases of basal and squamous cell skin cancers and in situ cancers, except urinary bladder, that will be diagnosed in 2003. Lung cancer rates include bronchus cancer. District of Columbia death totals were rounded to nearest 100.

² Source: CDC National Center for Health Statistics, vital statistics data, underlying cause of death, 1996–2000. Death rates are per 100,000 and are age-adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population.

³ Hyphens represent suppression of rates when there were 75,000 or fewer persons in the denominator or 20 or fewer deaths in the numerator.